I STRONGLY agree with the FISTS petition. We simply must retain CW AND the CW sub-bands for those who want and enjoy it or ham radio will definately be impacted for the worse.

I personally do not know a credible or serious ham radio operator who does not work mostly CW on the HF bands.

One only has to listen to any voice sub-band or FM band (HF or VHF or UHF for that matter) to realize that CW is a miracle of technology and human ingenuity, still relevant, and used by thousands daily to communicate more effectively under marginal conditions than the "hams" operating voice communications often in an unacceptable manner.

I have had this experience - try to work SSB on 75 meters for a chat with your son and then move to CW on 80 meters (3.550 +/-) and note the courtesy extended to you in each instance. CW forever

We simply cannot allow the CW sub-bands to go away - it will destroy ham radio as we know it.

I fear Ham Radio will become just fancier CB with skip.

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